

Message Text

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ACTION EA-12

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SUBJECT: A-4 TRAINING IN THE PHILIPPINES

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(D) CINCPAC 291533Z JUL 78; (E) SINGAPORE 2942 (NOTAL)

1. REFTELS A,B,C AND E SUGGESTED THAT WE WERE CLOSE TO
BREAKING THE LOG JAM ON THE A-4 TRAINING ISSUE. REFTEL D
EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS REGARDING TIMING VIS-A-VIS THE U.S.-
PHILIPPINE BASE NEGOTIATIONS, BUT DID OFFER SUPPORT FOR
MANILA'S APPROACH (REFTEL C) IF DECISION IS MADE TO GO
AHEAA.

2. WE FEAR THAT THE FURTHER PROLONGING OF THIS ISSUE,
ALREADY THREE YEARS OLD, WILL EXACERBATE THE MINOR
BUT APPRECIABLE IRRITANT THAT IT HAS CAUSED IN OUR
RELATIONS WITH THE SINGAPORE AIR FORCE. THE NEED
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FOR EARLY FAVORABLE ACTION IS GROWING. WE ENDORSE
MANILA'S FORMULA IN REFTEL C; HOWEVER, WE WOULD
POINT OUT THAT STEP ONE--GOS DISCUSSIONS WITH GOP--
HAS APPARENTLY ALREADY BEEN CONCLUDED.

3. WE ALSO SUPPORT CINCPAC'S SUGGESTION (REFTEL D)
THAT THE GOS BE CLEARLY INFORMED OF PROBABLE USG

REACTION IF THE GOP INSISTS ON AN UNSATISFACTORY
ARRANGEMENT. GIVEN THIS POINT OF EMPHASIS, WE
SHOULD BE READY FOR MANILA'S PROPOSED STEP TWO.

4. WE ASSUME DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN IN COORDINATION
WITH SECDEF ON THIS MATTER. REQUEST COMMENTS AND
INSTRUCTIONS.

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